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Director of Communications

Request for Amendment to Contract 260-19660-0

1. Under the terms of the subject contract two antenna systems were designed and fabricated by the [redacted] Sherburne, New York. Each system consists of Yagi antennas mounted on 50' collapsible towers. During an equipment test at the contractor's plant it was determined that the towers were structurally inadequate to withstand the necessary loading conditions. As a result, [redacted] returned the towers to the manufacturer and obtained two heavy-duty towers employing double lift construction for elevating the towers as opposed to the single lift construction used in the original towers. This action was taken in the interest of safety and reliability.

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2. Recently [redacted] submitted the attached letter requesting additional funds to cover the cost of the heavy-duty towers. The Engineering Staff concurs with the facts outlined in the contractor's letter with the exception of paragraph 4. Climatic conditions were specified to the contractor. However, it is conceded that if the price of the heavy-duty towers was included in the original cost estimate, the proposal still would have been accepted because the equipment would then be, and in fact now is, of a better quality and construction than that which was originally proposed.

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3. Therefore, it is requested that this contract be amended for the purpose of authorizing the contractor additional funds to cover the cost of purchasing the heavy-duty towers. Attached is a requisition indicating that funds in the amount of \$2,673.50 under allotment number 1133-3437-5913 are obligated by Requisition No. 344-C-064-60. Agency association with this contract is classified **SECRET**. The cognizant contract engineer is Mr. [redacted]

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Attachments:

- 1) Contractor's letter dated 10 Feb. 61
- 2) Requisition No. 344-C-064-60

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